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1. IN CONNECTION WITH THE REVIEW NOW UNDERWAY ON
THE QUESTION OF UN SALARIES, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT
TO THE US CIVIL SERVICE AS THE COMPARATOR SERVICE,
INFORMATION IN SEVERAL JIU REPORTS MIGHT BE RELEVANT.

2. JIU/REP/77/4, REPORT ON GENERAL SERVICE STAFF,
PARA 100, REPORTS THAT THE WORKING HOURS AT THE
UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK ARE 37 1/2 HOURS A WEEK
DURING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND 35 HOURS A WEEK THE
REST OF THE YEAR.

3. JIU/NOTE/78/2, NOTE ON STAFF WELFARE, REVIEWS
SEVERAL ASPECTS OF PERSONNEL BENEFITS. SOME OF THE
MORE NOTABLE INCLUDE PAYMENTS FROM REGULAR BUDGETS
TO STAFF BENEVOLENT FUNDS (PARAS 16, 19), FINANCING
OF A HOUSING LOAN FUND FROM UNESCO'S GENERAL FUND
(PARA 34), AND FINANCING OF NURSERIES AND DAY CARE
CENTERS (PAGES 13, 14). THE TOTAL COST TO REGULAR
BUDGETS IS DESCRIBED IN PARA 114, AND AGAIN IN
PARAS 140 AND 141, AND INCLUDES COST OF INTERPRETERS
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AND TRANSLATORS. IN PARA 81 THE INSPECTOR DESCRIBES
AS QUOTE UNSATISFACTORY UNQUOTE THE RECREATION
FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO STAFF AT UNITED NATIONS
HEADQUARTERS AND QUOTE CONSIDERS THAT THE TIME HAS
COME FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
STAFF, TO PRESS FOR IMPROVEMENTS UNQUOTE. THE INSPECTOR
ALSO CRITICIZES THE QUOTE MEAGRE UNQUOTE SHOPPING

FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT UN HEADQUARTERS (PARA 94).

4. AT LEAST ONE UN ORGANIZATION, WIPO, SUBSIDIZES RE-FRESHMENT MACHINES USED BY EMPLOYEES (GENEVA 6035). WIPO ALSO SUBSIDIZES A HOLIDAY HOME, ALTHOUGH A UNOG ACCOMMODATION IS RUN WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION (JIU/NOTE/78/2, PARA 65).
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